Diverse City Fund Grant Application - Organization

This is the grant application form for an organization or group applying on its own and not as part of a coalition. The coalition application can be found here.

Organizations are eligible for grants of up to $5,000.

¡Se puede aplicar en español! Para obtener información en español, visite nuestro sitio de web o nos puede contactar en: info@diversecityfund.org o 202-709-7038.

Before completing this application, please review our Grantmaking Guidelines for up-to-date eligibility criteria, a working definition of social justice, and more.

Preview a PDF of the entire application. Application progress can be saved by selecting "Save and Continue Later" at the bottom of any page and providing an email address.

Applications are due by **11:59 pm on Wednesday, October 2, 2019.**

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Section 1: Eligibility

Has your organization/project been funded during a past Diverse City Fund grant round? *

○ Yes

○ No

During which grant round(s) did your organization/project receive funding? *

☐ Spring 2019

☐ Fall 2018

☐ Fall/Winter 2017

☐ Spring/Summer 2017

☐ Prior to 2017

Select all that apply. For a list of past rounds and grantees got to: https://www.diversecityfund.org/grants/grantees/

Briefly let us know how the previous Diverse City Fund grant(s) supported your work and organization. Include an explanation of how you used the grant and any impacts it supported (e.g. successes, organization building, community level changes). If the funding has not been spent, include why.** *

Please limit responses to 500 words or less

Is your organization/project based in Washington, DC? *

○ Yes

○ No

Definition of Social Justice

The Diverse City (DC) Fund defines social justice as the process through which society attains a more equitable distribution of power and resources in the political, economic, and s realms. To achieve this vision, people of color must be able to redefine their relationship to power, institutions, and each other. We believe in a systemic change approach that exa intersecting causes of conditions, and seeks to identify and remove structural barriers to long-term opportunity and well-being.

The DC Fund invests in social justice projects which:

- Amplify the leadership and voice of those directly affected by issues and needs,
- Take action to create equitable outcomes and transfer of power and resources to directly-affected communities, and
- Tackle root problems by engaging directly-affected communities to find solutions, organize against oppression of all kinds, and create mechanisms for change.

Please see our Grantmaking Guidelines for more details.

Does your organization/project meet the DC Fund's definition of a social justice project? *

○ Yes

○ No

Please describe how your organization/project meets this definition in each of the 3 areas. *

Please limit response to 500 words or less.

Funding Priorities

In this movement moment, the DC Fund recognizes the need to support collective action and resistance. We will accept and prioritize grant applications from groups engaging in following types of work:

- **Mobilization**– groups mobilizing people for protest and resistance
- **Organizing and Advocacy** – groups engaged in organizing and advocacy, particularly around funding for public programs and services
- **Healing, Inspiration, and Liberation**– groups that bring people of color together for cultural and mental liberation, the individual level work that prepares people to resist

Does your organization/project engage in one or more of the types of work listed above? *

○ Yes

○ No

Which of our funding priorities does your work align with? *

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☐ Healing, Inspiration, and Liberation– groups that bring people of color together for cultural and mental liberation, the individual level work that prepares people to resist

Select all that apply.

Please describe how your work aligns with the priorities you selected. *

Please limit response to 500 words or less.

Leadership

The DC Fund only funds organizations/projects in which people of color (POC) are at the core of their leadership. We define POC-led efforts as groups, coalitions, or organizations POC hold a majority of leadership positions, including board members, staff, and volunteers.

Does your organization/project meet the above definition of a POC-led effort? *

○ Yes

○ No

Use the table below to describe the racial/ethnic self-identification of the leadership of your organizations/project. Where appropriate, include the person's full name, positio race/ ethnicity.

Name:	Position/Role:	Race/Ethnicity:	

Name:	Position/Role:	Race/Ethnicity:	

Name:	Position/Role:	Race/Ethnicity:	

+ Add New Row

If listing less than three (3) persons, select the "x" button to the right to delete rows. If listing more, select the "+Add New Row" button above.

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Section 2: Group/Organization Information

Name of Group/Organization *

Mailing Address *

Website (if applicable)

Website URL

Facebook Page (if applicable)

Facebook URL

Twitter/Instagram Handle (if applicable)

Facebook URL

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Section 3: Contact Information

Primary Application Contact

Name *

Name of Primary Contact

Email *

Email of Primary Contact

Phone Number *

☐ ▾   (201) 555-0123

Secondary Application Contact (optional)

Name

Name of Secondary Contact

Email

Email of Secondary Contact

Phone Number

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Section 4: Project Narrative

Lasting social change takes passion, thoughtfulness, and extraordinary courage. The DC Fund wants to commit to almost everyone we meet who brings joy and justice to the peop them. But alas, we only have so much to give, which is why we need you to tell us about yourself, the work, and your closest collaborators.

Please note the word limits for each question. **Bullet points are welcome.**

In 2-3 sentences, please explain your project and/or organization. This is the description that will be used on our website, if your application is approved for funds. This answ be able to stand alone. *

Please limit response to 250 words or less.

Which communities in DC are most impacted by your work? Where are they geographically located? *

Please limit response to 500 words or less.

Tell us about your history and relationships working with DC communities. *

Please limit response to 500 words or less.

Tell us 2-3 of your group and/or project goals that will lead to social change. Be specific about what you think your work will accomplish, what challenges you anticipat you will measure success. Use the table below to organize your response. *Please limit each section response to 250 words or less.*

Project Goal 1 *

Example: Youth summit for DC high school students on racial justice over the summer.

Goal 1: Expected Challenges *

Example: Recruiting students can be a challenge, especially over the summer.

Goal 1: What Success Looks Like *

Example: 100 students from at least 4 differer schools represented.

Project Goal 2 *

Goal 2: Expected Challenges *

Goal 2: What Success Looks Like *

Project Goal 3 (optional)

Goal 3: Expected Challenges

Goal 3: What Success Looks Like

Who are your collaborators, partners, and other supporters, and how do they help advance your work? *

Please limit response to 500 words or less.

Is there anything else you would like us to know about your group and your work? (optional)

Please limit response to 500 words or less.

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Section 5: Project Budget

How much funding are you are requesting from the DC Fund? (enter the full number without a comma or dollar sign) *

Maximum request is 5000 dollars

Are you applying for funds to support a specific project, or are you applying for general operating funds? *

Please limit response to 250 words or less.

Have you applied for other funds? What, if any, have you received? *

Please limit response to 250 words or less.

What resources do you have that you can draw upon to help make this project a success? If you get less money than you ask for, how will it affect your project? If there is a m
that could be used, please share that information. *

Please limit response to 250 words or less.

Please upload a budget that answers the following questions:

- What is the total cost of your project?
- What is the budget for your project?
- What is the budget for your organization?
- What will our funds be used for?

Please be specific – itemize if possible. (You may use the DC Fund budget template, or your own template.)

Upload Budget *

Allowed files are _documents , doc, docx, pdf, xls, xlsx._

⬆ Click to upload file

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Section 6: Legal/Financial Information

Do you have IRS certification as a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization? (It's OK if you don't have one - you are still eligible.) *

○ Yes

○ No, but we have identified a fiscal sponsor with 501(c)(3) status

○ No, and we do not have a fiscal sponsor at this time

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